

**CHAPTER NO. 143**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1331**

**By Graves**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 935

By McDonald

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45, Chapter 15, Part 1, relative to title pledge loans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 45-15-113, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding a new, appropriately designated subsection as follows:

( ) Except as provided in the last sentence of this subsection where the statement required by this subsection is hand delivered at the time of renewal, each title pledge lender shall furnish the pledgor with a statement at least five (5) days prior to the beginning of any period of renewal of the title pledge agreement. Such statement shall include the agreement number, the annual percentage rate, the monthly rate of interest, the monthly fee rate, the original principal balance of the loan, the current payoff balance of the loan, the amount of all renewal fees, and the amount of any interest, fees or other reimbursements allowed pursuant to §45-15-111(b) that have accrued since the last statement required by this subsection was issued to the pledgor. The statement shall also include the payment amount required to payoff the title pledge loan in full if such payment is made with cash or certified funds by the end of the title pledge agreement or any renewal thereof, and the exact date through which that payoff balance will be honored. Further, if the title pledge loan is past due, the statement shall also include the number of days past due as of the statement date, the minimum payment required and the exact date by which such minimum payment must be received in order to reinstate the account to current status. Such statement shall also include the phone number, the normal business hours of operation, and the primary contact person at the office of the title pledge lender. Such statement shall be sent to the pledgor by first class mail, postage prepaid, within five (5) days of the end of the title pledge agreement or hand delivered at the time of renewal, pending any renewal thereof.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 29, 1999

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 12th day of May 1999

  
DON CONQUIST, GOVERNOR